

Docket No.: 1046.1100RE

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Ryota AKIYAMA et al.

Serial No. 09/654,929

Group Art Unit: 3639

Confirmation No. 7584

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Examiner: Dixon, T.

For: SOFTWARE REPRODUCTION APPARATUS

## **COMMUNICATION TO THE EXAMINER**

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

There are several outstanding IDS matters in this case.

## 1. The IDS filed June 7, 2007

An IDS was filed on June 7, 2007. The USPTO PAIR System indicates that the IDS was received by the USPTO. However, the Examiner has not yet acknowledged the IDS.

Please note that box 5 on page 2 of the IDS was checked in error. It is assumed that the Examiner did not acknowledge the IDS for this reason.

Therefore, an RCE was concurrently with this Communication, so that the IDS can be considered by the Examiner.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner acknowledge the IDS filed June 7, 2007.

## 2. The IDS filed September 15, 2006.

An IDS was filed on September 15, 2006. The Office Action mailed November 30, 2006, included a copy of the Form PTO-1449 of the Office Action, in which the Examiner "initialed" various of the references, to thereby acknowledge the references.

However, the Examiner did not "initial" references AG, AH and AJ on the Form PTO-1449, and instead lined-through these references. Presumably, the Examiner did not initial these references since English language translations were not provided.

However, it is respectfully submitted that references AG, AH and AJ on the Form PTO-1449 should be "initialed" by the Examiner, since these references were cited an the English translation of the Japanese Office Action provided with the IDS, and also an explanation of the relevance of these references was provided on the attachment 1(e) of the IDS.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner "initial" references AG, AH and AJ on the Form PTO-1449 of the IDS filed September 15, 2006.

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